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In re application of:

Better *et al.*

Appl. No. 09/610,838

Filed: July 6, 2000

For: **Fusion Proteins And  
Polynucleotides Encoding Gelonin  
Sequences**

Art Unit: 1643

Examiner: A. Salimi

Atty. Docket: 0610.099000A/MAC

**Supplemental Amendment  
and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Supplemental to Applicants' timely filed reply to the Office Action of March 14, 2001, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks. This Amendment is provided in the following format:

- (A) A clean version of each replacement paragraph/section/claim along with clear instructions for entry;
- (B) Starting on a separate page, appropriate remarks and arguments. 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 and MPEP 714; and
- (C) Starting on a separate page, a marked-up version entitled: "Version with markings to show changes made."

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a),

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and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

**Amendments****In the Claims**

Please cancel claims 2 and 3 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please rewrite the claims as follows:

~~4~~<sup>6</sup>. The fusion protein of any one of claims 1, ~~4~~<sup>2</sup> and ~~5~~<sup>3</sup>, wherein said targeting sequence is an antibody.

~~5~~<sup>5</sup>. The fusion protein of any one of claims 1, ~~4~~<sup>2</sup> and ~~5~~<sup>3</sup>, wherein said targeting sequence is an antigen-binding portion of an antibody.

~~13~~<sup>13</sup>. The fusion protein of any one of claims 1, ~~4~~<sup>2</sup> and ~~5~~<sup>3</sup>, wherein said targeting sequence is a hormone.

~~14~~<sup>14</sup>. The fusion protein of any one of claims 1, ~~4~~<sup>2</sup> and ~~5~~<sup>3</sup>, wherein said targeting sequence is an antibody.

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<sup>15</sup>  
17. The fusion protein of any one of claims 1, <sup>2</sup>4 and <sup>2</sup>5, wherein said targeting

sequence is a growth factor.

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Appl. No. 09/610,838**Remarks****1. The status of the claims**

Claims 1 and 4-17 are pending in this application. Reconsideration and entry of the above amendments is respectfully requested.

**2. The amendments**

No new matter has been added by the amendments.

Claim 2 has been canceled in view of claim 2 of U.S. 5,744,580, the scope of which is believed to be identical.

Claim 3 has been canceled in view of claim 3 of U.S. 5,744,580, the scope of which is believed to be identical.

The remaining amendments have been made to correct the claim dependencies in view of the cancellation of claims 2 and 3.

**a. The rejection under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness type double patenting over U.S. 5,837,491**

On Office Action page 5, claims 1-17 are rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness type double patenting over claims 1-3 of U.S. 5,837,491 (herein "the '491 patent"). Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection.

Without acquiescing to the obviousness analysis in regard to the remaining part of the rejection, and as mentioned in Applicants' previous reply, solely in the interests of advancing

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prosecution in this matter, submitted herewith is a terminal disclaimer. Accordingly, this rejection is believed moot.

**b. *The rejection under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness type double patenting over U.S. 6,146,850***

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**c. *The rejection under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness type double patenting over U.S. 5,756,699***

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Appl. No. 09/610,838**d. U.S. Appln. No. 09/711,485**

Applicants' co-pending application no. 09/711,485 is also directed to fusion proteins. Without acquiescing to any obviousness analysis and solely in the interests of advancing prosecution in this matter, Applicants submit herewith a terminal disclaimer.

**Conclusion**

In view of the discussion above it is believed that the present application is now in condition for immediate allowance. Early notice to this effect is earnestly solicited. If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided. Prompt and favorable consideration of this Amendment and Reply is respectfully requested.

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